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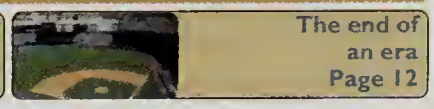
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Candidates tussle in debate

Chronicle photo by Rick Balutewicz

Mitch Daniels (R), Jill Long Thompson (D) and Andy Horning (L) participate in Tuesday's gubantorial debate in Merrillville.

Brian Bultema
Managing Editor

MERRILLVILLE | Jill Long Thompson (D) attacked Indiana Gov. Mitch Daniels (R) continuously in the first of three gubernatorial debates, forcing the incumbent to defend his record on job losses and the privatization of Indiana assets.

The sparsely attended debate at the Star Plaza Theatre featured questions from Indiana voters ranging from economic blight in Gary, to making college more attainable for Indiana students. Nearly half the theater remained empty due mostly to the cleanup of flooded areas in northwest Indiana, Tuesday.

The two candidates painted the picture of a state divided. Daniels claimed Indiana's economy is on the upswing, while Long Thompson rebutted. She said over 60,000 jobs have left the state.

She also took full advantage of Daniels' former position as budget secretary under President George W. Bush saying, "Governor Daniels is the architect of the largest deficit in the world."

"Governor Daniels would have you believe we are doing just fine," Long Thompson said. "But we are losing jobs faster than any other state."

Daniels, who had largely ignored Long Thompson's slams at his record, responded, saying that disagreements in policy do not bother him, but that outright falsehoods do.

Long Thompson attributed her claims to a recent Department of Labor statistic, which includes the elimination of seasonal jobs. In actuality 27,800 jobs have been added under Daniels' watch. She also criticized him for the swelling of the unemployment rate of 6.3 percent which now exceeds the national average of 6.1 percent.

Libertarian Party candidate Andy Horning also took part in the debate. His stance: anything limiting the growth of government.

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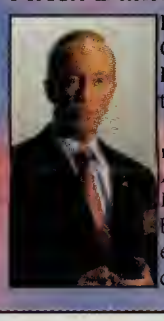
Meet your candidates for Indiana governor

Mitch Daniels - Republican

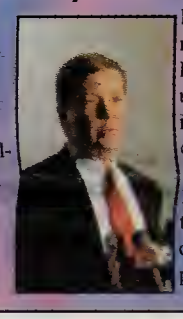


Education: Doctorate in Law, Georgetown University in 1979
Experience: Chief political advisor to Ronald Reagan from 1985-1988. Director of the Office of Management and the Budget for Bush Administration from 2001-2004.
Key Issues: Keeping the Indiana budget balanced, funding two years eduation at community colleges, caps on property taxes

Jill Long Thompson - Democrat

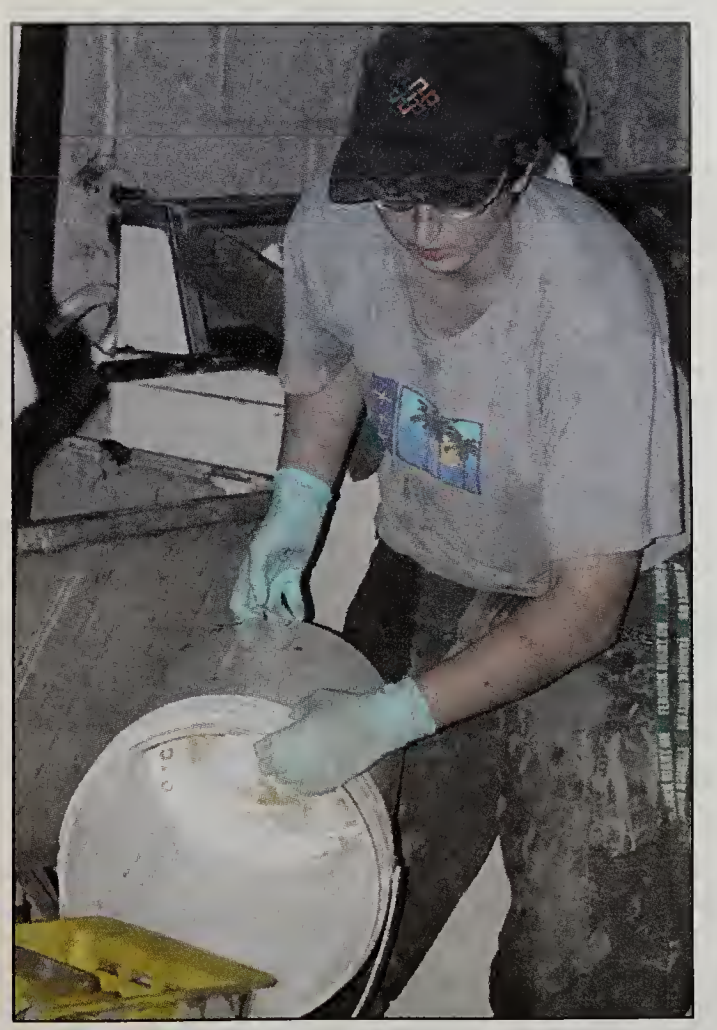
Education: Doctorate in business, Indiana University in 1984.
Experience: Congresswoman in Indiana's 4th district from 1989-1994. Under secretary for Rural Economic and Community Development for Clinton Administration from 1995-2000.
Key Issues: Expansion of 21st Century Scholars program, investment in vocation training

Andy Horning - Libertarian



Education: Doctorate in engineering at IUPUI, date uknown
Experience: Worked as a product developer and author for clinical engineering products, candidate for Indiana governor in 2000 and Congress in 2004.
Key Issues: Repealing all gas taxes, increasing rigor of all academic programs, abolition of all property taxes

After flood, students get their hands dirty



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Amy Ferris empties water from a basement in Munster. Ferris along with several others from PUC assisted flood victims on Friday and Saturday.

Calvin Davis
News Editor

For some time now, PUC has been attempting to incorporate experiential learning into its curriculum in order to give students more valuable experience in their fields before entering the workforce.

Last week's flooding, which left much of the region at a standstill for days, provided students, along with faculty and staff, an opportunity to go out into the community and do just that.

In an effort coordinated in part by Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Melinda Dalgarn, volunteers from PUC dispersed into the Town of Munster to assist with clean-up projects at various households. Local business including Home Depot, Jewel Osco of Munster and Gus Bock's Ace Hardware contributed cleaning supplies such as buckets, bleach, mops and rubber gloves.

A group of 11 students volunteered and faculty assisted on Friday in coordination with the office of North Township Trustee Frank Mrvan Jr. On Saturday groups went out in two four-hour phases: one in the morning and another in the afternoon. Paige's Business Ventures of Illinois donated a driver and a vehicle to transport volunteers from the campus to Munster.

One of the homes cleaned by students was that of Bob and Judy Paulson who live on Northcote Street near Wicker Park in Munster. The Paulson's basement had been flooded to the ceiling and suffered considerable damage. The majority of their furniture and belongings suffered water damage, requiring them to be scrapped.

"We definitely could not have done it without them. I mean I had no idea it would be this much work. It's incredible what they have done."

Judy Paulson

Despite their misfortune, the Paulson's were very appreciative of the student's help.

"We definitely could not have done it without them," Judy Paulson said. "I mean I had no idea it would be this much work. It's incredible what they have done."

Her husband Bob also commended the students' work.

"It would have cost us thousands of dollars to get this taken care of without their help," Paulson said.

Amy Ferris , a demonstration assistant in the Dept. of Biological Sciences, spent her time at the Paulson home where she cleaned, removed water damaged items and even provided assistance to a fellow worker who had stepped on a nail.

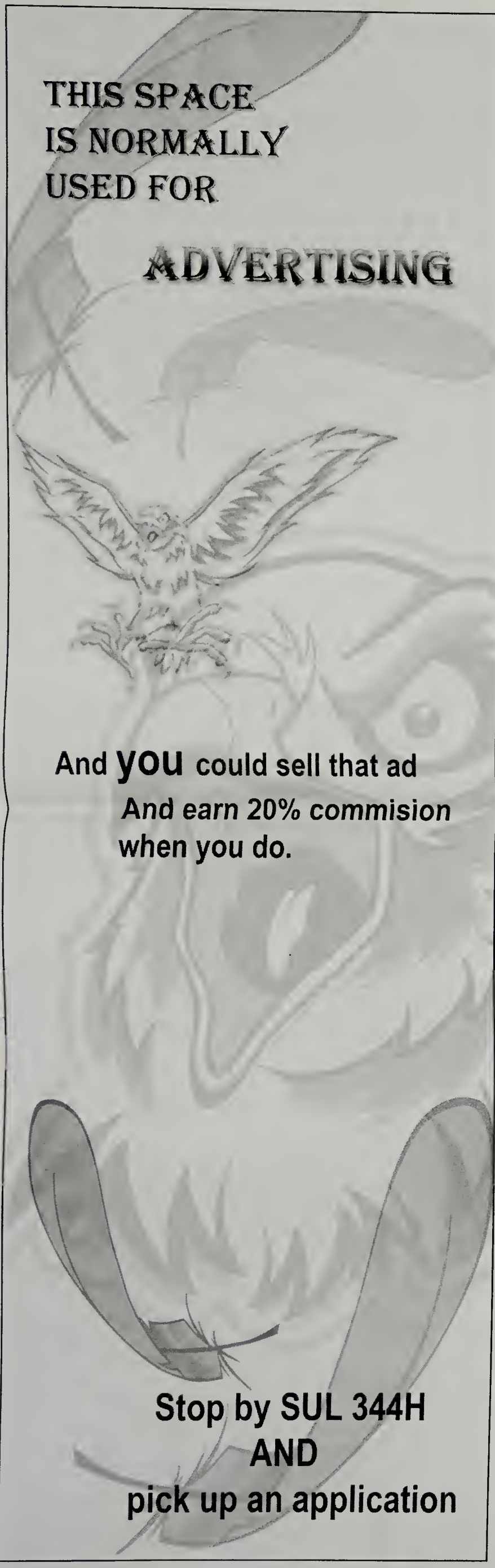
"I think the hardest thing...is that this was all somebody's life," Ferris said. "We tried to come down here and bag this stuff up because if they come down here and they're looking at toys, photographs and memories that makes it tough."

The task of cleaning came secondary to the job of moving furniture and other items out of the house.

"The mopping and cleaning is the easiest part," Ferris said.

Abbas Hill, assistant director of housing, played his part by helping sign up volunteers at the south entrance of the SUL Building and also brought pizza to the work site.

PUC's involvement in the clean-up was sponsored by Student Activities. Monetary donations are still being accepted at the office of the vice chancellor of Student Affairs, located in Lawshe Hall room 352 and can be contacted at (219) 989-2367.



What's Going On?

A Look Around...

Adventure Trip

On Sunday, September 28 there will be a sponsored trip to the Ouiatenon Historic Park on the Banks of the Wabash River in West Lafayette. Deadline to register is Wednesday September 24@ 12pm. Admission is $10 for students that will be refundable on the bus. The charge is $15 for faculty, staff, and guests. The trip will be $12 for additional admission for all participants. For registration contact Sue at (219) 989-2367 or visit Lawshe 352.

Student I.D. is necessary for registration.

Operation Night Café

There will be free refreshments served in the CLO Concourse on Wednesday September 24. The event will last from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

Inspired Leaders Series

On Tuesday, Sept. 23rd Hammond Mayor Tom McDermott will be the guest speaker for the Inspired Leaders Series. The event will be held in SUL 321 from 5 p.m. until 6:20 p.m. This week's topic will focus on leading in the public eye.

The Second City

The Purdue Alumni Association-Calumet will present The Second city, a world-class comedy, on Friday, September 26, 2008. The live performance will be held at Alumni Hall in the Student Union & Library Building, beginning at 7p.m. The show is open to the general public with doors opening at 6 p.m. A limited amount of discounted tickets are available for $10 for PUC students with I.D. Tickets are $15 for members of the Purdue Alumni Association – Calumet and $20 for the general public. For more information call the Office of Alumni Relations at 989-2308 or visit SUL room 322A.

PUC Graduate Student Association

Are you a grad student? Are you looking for an organization to join that will assist you with career placement and networking opportunities? Consider joining the PUCGSA, where you will be able to network with fellow grad students and alumni.

For more information, email Wendi Liu at windy0002@hotmail.com

Student Activities Looking to Form New Organization

Student Activities is looking for interested students to form an organization for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual or Transgender students. If interested please e-mail Student Activities at studentactivities@calumet.purdue.edu

Career Services Event Information Session

Prominent steel corporation Arcelor-Mittal will host an information session on Tuesday, September 23 from 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Backpacks 2 Briefcases: Career Services Overview

On Thursday, September 25, 2008 the Office of Career Services will be sponsoring the second session in their Backpacks 2 Briefcases series in SUL 305. The event lasts from 1:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. Bebbie Blades, Career Services Assistant, will be the Speaker.

S.E.T. Training

There will be two S.E.T. training sessions on campus this week. Both sessions will be held on Thursday Sept. 25 in SUL 321. The first session, entitled Harassment & Discrimination in the Workplace will last from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

That session will be followed by a second session covering entitled Student Employment Basics. The session begins at 2 p.m. and will last for an hour.

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IPO hosts Ramadan dinner

International Programs invites campus to fast

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Chronicle Correspondent

PUC is a melting pot. Representing a variety of different cultures, backgrounds, religions and countries, PUC now educates over 500 international students.

A large part of culture is religion.

The International Programs Office and the Muslim Student Association are inviting PUC students to honor Ramadan this week by recognizing the holiday with a one-day fast followed by a dinner Sept. 24. The fast is meant to educate students on this important holiday.

Ramadan, the Muslim holiday which takes place during the ninth month of the Islamic calendar, is the most prominent and regarded holiday in the Islam religion. Most Muslims fast during the month from sunrise to sunset as a way to learn patience and humility.

Muslims believe that Ramadan is the month in which the QOuran, the holy book of Islam, was delivered to the prophet Muhammad (May Peace Be Upon Him) from God through the angel Gabriel. The Islamic calendar is based on the lunar cycle, causing Ramadan to occur several days earlier each year.

In Indiana, fasting often takes place fromthis is 5 a.m. to about 7 p.m. At the end of each day, the fast is broken.Muslims break their fast Fasting requires Muslims to abstain fromincludes not drinking, eating or eating anything and abstaining fromprohibits improper thoughts. During the month of the holiday, they Muslims are encouraged to give to charity, be more generous, help others in need and pray more.er time.

Quick Facts about Ramadan

Ramadan marks the month on the Islamic calender when Muhammad received the Quran.

Muslims fast from sunrise to sunset each day of the month.

Muslims fast to learn lessons on discipline, humility and patience.

Muslims are encouraged to read the Quran each day.

Eid al-Fitr marks the end of Ramadan and typically involves celebratons, festivals and feasts.

The end of Ramadan is called Eid al-Fitr. Iit is a day in which Muslims pray ata local Mosques and spend the day celebrating with family and friends. As part of the celebration theyMuslims wearwere their best clothes and usually buy a new outfit for the event.

Eid al-Fitr is the first day of the next month. This year it happens to be Oct. 1 but it depends on the lunar cycle. Rasha Abed, coordinator of international programs, remembered as a child when Ramadan was in Dec. Itwas easier to predict because the sunset earlier and the fasting ended sooner.

The event was the idea of Abdulaziz Barakat, a senior majoring in electrical engineering technology and an International Program Office employee and mentor.

Abed says if we are all to exist we must learn about each other, especially the important aspects like religion that make us who we are.

The fast will be broken with a dinner in Alumni Hall on Sept. 24 at 6:30 pm. At the event there will be a speaker from a local mosque to speak about the holiday before dinner. All students, staff, and faculty are invited but must RSVP at (219) 989-2502.

Professor discusses success in America

Cronicle photo by Rick Balutewicz

International students discuss in American universities with University of Chicago profesor Charles Lipson Wednesday.

Hira Gul
Staff Writer

Professor Charles Lipson held an open discussion with international students on campus Friday to offer advice on how to succeed in an often intimidating environment – an American university. Lipson, who is head of the International Politics and Economic Security programs at the University of Chicago, brought up topics that make it difficult for international students to become integrated in their schools.

His encounters with international students and the problems they face led him to write his book "How to be a Successful International Student in the U.S. and Canada."

Professor Lipson held an unconventional talk where students actively engaged in questions and answers as well as their views on life abroad. Lipson was primarily concerned with hearing students' views and answered their questions appropriately.

Lipson discussed basic problems such as obtaining social security, using credit cards, opening bank accounts, getting insurance and dealing with a new lifestyle.

Smaller issues like being confident while speaking with an accent, seeking help in the right places and dealing with stereotypes were also part of the dynamic discussion.

Lipson particularly emphasized academic honesty in the world of American academia. He gave tips to students and encouraged them to be innovative and creative.

The meeting was held in the SUL Building Room 321 with Kathleen Tobin, head of the International Students Program and Eva Brickman, advisor and Director of the School of Management.

After meeting with students Lipson also had a meeting with the faculty.

Professor Lipson's book will be *available in the campus bookstore* starting next week. He also encouraged students to communicate with him personally.

Purdue University Calumet has an immense international student body. Such events seem to help students and give a single platform for them to come out with problems and possible solutions.

The book is a thorough and informative guide for new foreign students; covering all aspects of life they could encounter as freshmen in college. It is divided into four groups: a series of specifics highlighting life when students reach the U.S. and Canada, the first 10 things to do, how to succeed academically and how to settle in the culture.

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MS Office Online Content

With the internet becoming an increasingly important part of our daily lives, it's not all that odd that Microsoft would start offering downloadable content for their software. This content includes things like, more dictionaries, more clip art, and more templates. To get this content, follow the instructions below substituting Word for the name of the program you are using.

- Open up **MS Word**
- Click on **Word Options**
- Click on the words **Trust Center** on the left hand side of the window
- Click the grey rectangle labeled **Trust Center Settings...**
- Click on **Privacy Options** on the left hand side of the window
- Click on the radio button next to **Update features links from Microsoft Office online**

These instructions will work in any MS Office product save Outlook and Publisher. For those two programs, use the following instructions substituting Outlook for the name of the program you are using.

- Open up MS Outlook
- Click on the **Tools** menu
- Click **Trust Center**
- Click **Privacy Options**
- Select the **Update featured links from Microsoft Office Online** check box.

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How did the flood last weekend affect you?

Nemanja Sosic
Freshman
Economics and Finance

"It really didn't affect me because my house wasn't near the flood area"

"I travel from Crown Point to [the campus.] It usually takes 15 minutes to get here but not it takes 45 minutes"

Anita Lopez
Freshman
Physical Therapy

Alan-John McCafferty
Sophomore
Communications

"It didn't really affect [my house,] but it affected my neighbors'. It however affected travel. It usually takes five minutes to get home. Now it takes an hour and 25 minutes."

PUC appoints new VC

Brian Bultema
Managing Editor

After a six-month vacancy, the position of vice chancellor of academic affairs, PUC chief academic officer, was filled on July 1 by former dean and professor Ralph Rogers.

Rogers comes to PUC after serving five years as dean of the College of Technology and Computer Science at East Carolina State University, the third largest school in North Carolina.

Rogers' background also includes administrative and faculty positions at Old Dominion University and the University of Central Florida. He has also served in faculty positions at Ohio University, Piedmont Virginia Community College and the University of Rio Grande.

The Chronicle recently sat down with Rogers to discuss his appointment, his future at PUC and exactly what the vice chancellor of academic affairs does.

Rogers

The Chronicle: "Students and faculty hear about many vice chancellors and assistant vice chancellors. What is your role on here on campus vice president of academic affairs?"

Rogers: "The term means all academic affairs report to me. Professors work for a department head, the department head works for the dean and the deans works for me. My position focuses a lot on larger issues – the allocation of resources, assessing academic needs, enrollment, admissions. Some more things I run into are experiential learning and the honors program, and budgets. We constantly deal with budgets. It's kind of like being a head coach."

The Chronicle: "When you refer to the allocation of resources, what is it that you mean?"

Rogers: "Money. You know, one way or another it comes down to money. And that's money for equipment, faculty positions, graduate positions. At one point or another I carry all the needs from the academic departments over to the Senior Leadership Team. It's my job, or part of my job, to make sure the needs of our academic affairs are presented to the chancellors and vice chancellors. And it's not a military type of leadership where you tell those lower down what to do and they just do it. The power of those higher up here depends very much on your ability to sell your ideas. It's, I know I keep coming back to this, but just like a head coach."

The Chronicle: "You talk about selling your ideas. What ideas and aspirations do you have for the future of PUC?

Rogers: "Well, it's to see PUC as the leader in regional universities. I really think the regional universities are where the action's at. And they're a relatively new phenomenon, only in the last 50 years. The role used to be like PUC, a commuter campus, where you come get your education and leave. But the role in now tied to region. It becomes a stabilizing force in the region by providing an educated workforce, the learned citizenry, but a lot about where a region wants to go economically. They represent the most stable force in a region. It's really asking, how do we help the region we're in?"

The Chronicle: "I heard recently that the graduate school is planning on expanding."

Rogers: "We'll be looking to increase the number of master's programs here soon as well as the number of master's students. The program's we'll emphasize are what we call workforce development where working professionals are looking to increase specialized knowledge who will attend part time while working."

The Chronicle: Now that the semester is underway, how have the first few weeks been for you?

Rogers: "It's been busy since I started July 1, but being in my position I've had very little contact with faculty and students. It's different for me. I miss teaching, but right now because of my other duties I think students would get the short end of it. What I do like about it is that I now see the bigger picture about how everything at a university has to work together."

The Chronicle: What did you see in PUC initially that made you think it would be a good fit for you?

Rogers: "One is the fact that it's a regional campus. East Carolina had higher aspirations and had 28,000 students moving to 30,000. It was going in a direction I didn't think I wanted to go. They had a medical school that was the big dog on campus and a big-time athletics program. I won't miss it from an administrative standpoint. I believe in regional universities. And right now the fact is that I'm having a ball here."

Campus recognizes Constitution Day

Chronicle photo by Nathyn D. Gibson

Bill Payonk, a graduate student in the Department of History and Political Science, plays the role of Thomas Cooper in a mock trial involving the Alien and Sedition Acts of 1798 on Wednesday. The event was part of a Constitution Day celebration that featured a "We the People" team from Munster High School and a showing of the biography of John Adams. The U.S. Constitution was officially signed by the Constitutional Convention in 1787.

Debate

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"I'm here for one reason: to put the Constitution of the U.S. on the ballot." Horning said.

Horning said he encourages the privatization that has occurred under Daniels because it limits government involvement in historically private enterprises.

Both Daniels and Thompson agreed the economy is the most important issue facing the state, though Daniels disagreed with Long Thompson's assessment of Indiana as heading in the wrong direction.

Horning said eliminating unnecessary government to let the free market reign is his top priority.

Addressing education, Daniels pitched his plan to use money from the Hoosier Lottery to create a fund for all Indiana students to attend a community college for two years.

Daniels said education is one of the largest shortfalls in Indiana, saying the state has some of the lowest college attainment in the country.

"This could be what holds us back from the great economic future every other indicator points to," Daniels said.

Long Thompson accused the governor of relying on an inconsistent source of funding and encouraging the privatization of another state-run program in order to displace his tax cuts.

Her plan includes expanding the 21st Century Scholarship Program and increasing funding for vocational and trade schools to better equip high school students who may not consider college to learn a skill.

Candidates tackled the issue of economic blight in areas of northwest Indiana, particularly in Gary. All three acknowledged blue-collar jobs in Gary, Hammond and East Chicago greatly affect the overall health of Indiana's economy.

Daniels blamed local politics.

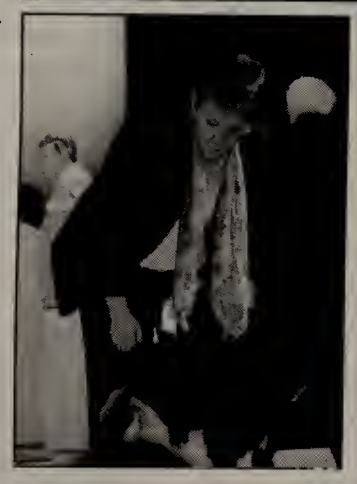
"The current state of Gary is the product of overspending and – I hate to say it – corruption," Daniels said.

The governor did not accuse any local politicians in particular, but said the Democratic machine of Lake County exemplifies the inefficiencies occurring when one party reigns for decades.

Long Thompson took exception. Instead, she places blame for Gary's economy on Daniels' one percent sales tax increase, a higher tax on cigarettes and property taxes still remaining unusually high compared to other states.

Thompson said Hoosiers make unusually low wages compared with those from other states –88 cents per dollar on average.

Debate moderator Dan Lowry encouraged the crowd to register to vote before the Oct. 6 deadline. The three candidates will debate again on Sept. 23 in Jasper and on Oct. 14 in Bloomington.



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Jill Long Thompson reaches to supporters after the debate (left), Gov. Mitch Daniels and Long Thompson shake hands prior to the first question (above), and Andy Horning, the Libertarian candidate shares his thoughs on the issues (right).

What's in a good job?

Brian Bultema
Managing Editor

What if job searches looked like a typical auction, with the future work of a college graduate being the item up for bid? What would that look like?

A salary of $40,000 to Apple.

Do I hear $50,000? $50,000 to the IBM corporation.

Do I hear $60,000? $60,000 to Microsoft.

Do I hear $70,000

Going once. Going twice. Sold to the Microsoft corporation for $60,000.

It's an absurd thought, right? But it's one that's very real because most graduates looking for a job will choose the option with the highest salary.

For most, it's simply a matter of finding the highest bidder.

Call me an out-of-touch idealist or a hypocrite for choosing the highest paying job in the past, but it seems there is more to choosing a job than the amount of zeroes behind a salary figure. Most workers want the job that will give them the most comfortable lifestyle. But the top jobs for employee satisfaction every year are clergy positions and teaching positions, jobs that aren't exactly known to be lucrative. These jobs give people a purpose and sense that they are actually making an impact on people.

I'm not condemning the accountants and the computer scientists of this world. God knows we need them. But it could be a huge blunder for a college graduate to forget the many variables that will give him a good career.

A close friend recently graduated from Indiana University as a finance major. His job options were endless. Companies from San Francisco to Nashville were wining and dining him.

In the end there was one factor that mattered – salary. He is now an investment banker working 80-hour weeks for Raymond James in Nashville and will certainly have a prosperous career.

Will it make him happy? It might. All I know is that I would have done it different.

What are these other factors college graduates who are buried in debt supposed to consider?

For one – belief in the industry. Hopefully, it would be difficult for a committed environmentalist to take a job on an offshore oil rig.

Second, location. As a journalism major, it is of primary importance to work in a town I care about.

Third, long term advancement. If you can't grow in the company, what is the point of entering it.

Finally, love of the work. If it is a job you look forward to doing when you get up in the morning that's the best job of all.

Have feedback? Readers can contact Brian Bultema at chronicle_managing_editor @yahoo.com or (219) 989-2547.

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Local Elections

The issue: Local and state elections

Our opinion: Many races that affect us most get little to know coverage.

People are wrapped up in the presidential debates and election, resulting in less thought given to the issue closer to home: the Indiana gubernatorial election. The issues addressed by our local representatives affect us more directly than those of the presidential race. Focus needs to be tuned to closer issues rather than to national ones.

Republican nominee Mitch Daniels, who has been in office since 2004, is up for re-election in November. Daniels is up against Democratic nominee Jill Long Thompson and Libertarian nominee Andy Horning. Not that the general public seems to have much of an interest in this. As long as someone is doing the job, who cares?

Issues like property taxes are a huge concern to the people of the region. A lot of people have to worry if their property is even worth anything after the tornado in August. Griffith and the surrounding areas should have been declared official disaster areas. Daniels waited three weeks before even touring the town. His defense was the area was "not very important in the immediate instance."

Griffith was unable to receive funding to help put houses back together after the F2 tornado left the north part of town in ruins. Daniels has helped central and southern Indiana with economic projects, but the rest of the state is still struggling.

This is why these elections are so important. They hit issues like national disasters happening close to home. Daniels has done little to help out the locals affected by this summer's natural disasters. Even though he's decided to help with the flooding, what will his discretion be next time? It is thought that the other nominees lack a strong enough campaign to beat Daniels, the community will remember the neglect for the rest of their lives.

Television provides plenty of coverage on Chicago problems. The corruption of politics for that area is all over NW Indiana news coverage. We need local coverage that addresses the issues here, not the ones in the city. People need to be made aware of local politics and what they are accomplishing in office.

If citizens possess the facts listed to them on television they might be more aware of what's going on around them. They need to start thinking about what's going in their own backyards rather than what's going on in Washington D.C.

Letter to the Editor

I recently experienced a problem that many students face that shouldn't be a problem at all, getting locked out. Getting locked out of your class for being late should not be allowed, period. I am an adult, a mother, there are things that happen to people in life that may cause a delay when trying to get to class. No one is late to class to purposely disrupt the class. I was recently three minutes late to class. As I was walking down the hall I heard my teacher shut the door. I was locked out for 26 minutes before she let us in.

Then later on in class, someone asked if we could get out early, to which she replied, "I don't let you out early because you paid for this class I want you to get the whole sha-bang." How can I get the "whole sha-bang" if she locks me out for 30 minutes?! As she stated I paid for this class, with my own money. I am an adult, and if I'm going to be late then there should be some understanding to the possible reasoning for that tardiness.

Autumn Dexter
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Finding compassion in tragedy

Nathyn Gibson
Editor-in-Chief

This week, when I wasn't in class or working, I was doing either one of two things: One thing was visiting the floods. With my camera, I would travel to the areas that sustained excessive amounts of damage from the flood. At the same time I was probably standing in waters that probably should never be in contact with human skin. People are in love with disasters.

The other thing would be sitting in my car, in traffic, and watching as nothing proceeded to move. I will be the first to admit traffic is usually not the moment to find Zen. I've had moments where I've even caught myself honking my horn at a stoplight because it wouldn't change fast enough. Not honking at the cars, but at the actual horn.

Normally I would honk the horn like it was going out of style but I kept quiet this week. I had a lot of reasons to get angry because my normal route (80/94) was backed up, and no matter where I turned, streets that I would take were flooded, changing my half-an-hour ride home to a couple of hours.

However, I made my best effort *not to demonstrate my expertise of* road rage because I kept thinking that anybody in the cars ahead of me may have just lost their house and an angry horn would not help the situation.

I think with the losses some people experienced a lot of us who didn't receive damages should be grateful for our fortune and compassionate towards those who experienced a great loss.

I live in Lake Station, where neighborhoods suffered flooding bad enough where people were forced to evacuate their homes. From the number I was told, about 100-150 people are now staying at the Boys and Girls Club in town because they have nowhere else to go. There's a good possibility when the flood is completely over some of the houses will be considered too damaged to live in.

Compared to losing a house, getting stuck in traffic doesn't really seem like a big deal. So this week, try to be kinder to people because nobody really knows what happened to them. When it comes to something like losing a home and possessions, some of the things we worry about don't really match up.

Have feedback? Readers can contact Nathyn Gibson at chronicle_eic @ yahoo.com or (219) 989-2547.

Plaids, animal prints and purple oh my!

www.girlawhirl.com

Check out this guide to the hottest trends for fall fashion 2008. Comfort and creams are a must for men and women. Remember, fashionable hoodies can be styled for almost any occasion.

LeAnne Munoz
Staff Writer

Warm weather is fading while cooler weather will soon rear its ugly head, but fashion sense is still hot.

This fall, sophisticated colors are in for men and women. Rich hues lead the way in style, giving a classic elegance that is sure to turn heads. Cable-knit sweaters, as well as pull-over hoodies in creamy browns and deep purples, compliment skin tones and can be worn by both sexes.

Patterns and textures are another trend. Wool textures make great jackets for both men and women and give scarves a good texture,lending a hand in keeping its wearer's warm when the occasion calls. Tweed, once a fabric used to make pants suits with shoulder pads, – circa "Working Girl" – is making its comeback and can be seen in updated suits for men and women, as well as fashionable shoes.

Plaids, as well as animal prints, make dressing fun just by playing with the size and boldness of the pattern. Plaid patterns can be found on hot fall items such as men and women's vests and pants, while animal prints most often appear in the accessory and shoe department.

Feminine detailing is also popular among women's styles. This spans from ruffled and lacy shirts, to wide-leg pants, belted waistlines, and 1950's style full skirts.

Dresses remain trendy, and keep a fitted comfortable shape and accent curves, creating lovely silhouettes. If the idea of wearing a dress in the fall has anyone's teeth chattering already, make the outfit work by adding a pair of tights to keep those legs warm.

Flats for women still hold an unshakable place in fall fashion, and many women are wearing rounded-heel boots as well as lower heels. This gives the wearer an opportunity to sport these looks with night-on-the-town dresses or even casual wear. Men's shoes stick to comfort and durability allowing oxford sneakers and skateboard shoes to make a big appearance this season.

Comfort is most men's middle name so fall fashions have stuck to that principle. Polos and tee-shirts made of softer fabrics and structured oxford shirts lead the way in men's clothing this season. A wide variety of deep colors and interesting patterns to choose from are available for fall.

Vibrant pieces give the wearer a chance to make an outfit their own. Large jewelry such as cocktail rings and broaches can enhance any outfit. Menswear hats are a great look for either sex. Hand bags are bulkier than those of past autumn's, and colors such as burgundy and olive greens will make an appearance during colder days.

Fall fashions are around every corner, in every store window and on many people who pass by on the street. Just remember these are only guidelines, because having fun with clothing and taking joy in what is worn is always the best fashion choice.

hauteconcept.com

Difranco releases defiant CD

Mark Farner
Staff Writer

Ani DiFranco is considered, in some circles, to be one of the best acoustic guitarists alive. She draws inspiration from her baby daughter Petah Lucia to fill this new album with thematic songs about family, love and home. Independent artist and folk singer DiFranco's new album "Red Letter Year" will release Sept. 30.

The first track "Red Letter Year" unites DiFranco's vocals and guitar with piano, violins and a steady drumbeat to create a calm and melodic tune. The lyrics immediately reveal DiFranco's feelings about the president.

The line "and representing the white race, a man with a monkey for a face" is anything but subtle.

The track"Alla This" is similar to "Red Letter Year". Many of the same instruments are used, but the song is much faster and much catchier. It's impossible to turn off once the song gets going. Almost every line begins with "I", describing what the singer will and won't do. More of DiFranco's beliefs are heard in the lines "I won't pray to a male god, cuz that would be insane" and "I can't support the troops, cuz every last one of them is being duped".

"Present/Infant" is about DiFranco's baby daughter. It slows down like "Red Letter Year," but the percussion, with the addition of bells takes a much bigger role. The lyrics concern job insecurity and fear until the turning point "but here's this tiny baby, and they say she looks just like me, and she is smiling at me, with that present/infant glee".

The album lacks DiFranco's usual guitar finger-picking present in her other songs, but her acoustic guitar playing is spot on. Her modified vocals resemble her 2006 album "Reprieve". Also, the addition of violins in many of the songs helps to set this album apart from her previous work.

DiFranco listens to "Red Letter Year" and describes, "I hear a very relaxed me, which I think has been absent in a lot of my recorded canon. Now I feel like I'm in a really good place. My partner Mike Napolitano co-produced this record.....my guitar and voice have never sounded better, and that's because of him. I've got this great band and crew. And my baby, she teaches me how to just be in my skin, to do less and be more," according to her website

The record label Righteous Babe holds a reputation for being controversial. While some listeners may be put off by DiFranco's left political views, worship of nature or feminist ideals, her talented vocals and guitar playing are fantastic. Likewise, the talented people she plays with only enrich the album more with percussion, violins and cello, among other instruments.

DiFranco differs from the every day Rihanna or Pearl Jam. She created a name for herself by being truly unique.

She'll be playing Oct. 6 at the Chicago Theatre.

More on Ani DiFranco and her album can be found on www.righteousbabe.com.

weblogs.newsday.com

DiFranco's latest CD, "The Red Letter Year," has the usual lyrics of controversy and boldness her fans have come to expect. Most of her inspiration comes from her new daughter.

Technology makes the game

Jonathan Beller
Chronicle Correspondent

sweekin.wordpress.com

The "Force Unleashed" uses impressive technological advances allowing the game to stand out from previous versions.

"Star Wars" theme ... check; huge galactic explosions ... check; and a galaxy in peril ... check that too. "The Force Unleashed" is created with one objective- to blow the mind. Does it succeed? Yes.

"The Force Unleashed" delivers satisfaction accredited to its new technologies. The new Euphoria engine was developed to ensure events play out in a different way each time, regardless of whether they begin in the same way.

The other technology is known as a digital molecular matter. It is designed to bring a more realistic look to something like a door breaking, or something smashing into a big piece of metal. With new technology and four years development time, this game's graphics leave players satisfied.

Developed and published by LucastArts, "The Force Unleashed" takes place after the film "Revenge of the Sith" and before "A New Hope". Players assume the role of Darth Vader's secret apprentice.

The task is to assist Vader in his mission to destroy the Jedi. Relationship to Vader are unknown so enemies range from the empire army and the very beginnings of the rebellion.

Darth Vader fans rejoice. The first level lets the players take on the role Vader himself. Players will storm the Wookies' home planet in search of a lone Jedi. Few words can sum what it is like using the force powers of Vader as the player marches to their destiny. Carnage, mayhem and chaos.

The basic force push proves very effective, allowing the player to simply push their enemy over the edge if they wish to avoid combat. The charged force push puts the character into a stance that will remind players of "Dragon Ball Z". The charged force push resembles Goku's kamehameha only "force-afide". Like the kamehameha, it's a devastating blow to anything in its path.

Taking on larger foes such as Rancors, AT-RT and Junk Giants is another mechanic of "The Force Unleashed" similar to "God of War". The play mechanic known as active time event, has the player engaging in pre-rendered sequences by pressing buttons on the controller when prompted on screen.

With all the talk about game play mechanics and new technology, the audio also enriches the experience. The traditional theme and sounds of "Star Wars" are all there. Explosions sound crisp and entice players to take a moment to create some boom-booms for the fun of it.

The game has received some mediocre reviews. 'It's too easy', seems to be the chief complaint, but stop and think for a moment. The player has the power of the full force like never before. Would anyone around really stand a chance?

Surrounding area offers fall activities

ChicagoGallery/petr.jpg

Just in time for fall, northwest Indiana and Chicago have plenty of events coming up for chasing away the cold-weather blues.

Darshei Goode
Staff Writer

Fall is quickly approaching and it's time to begin searching for fun events to take the mind off books. There are a number of different local shows and festivals that could be of interest. Local towns in Oct. and Nov. offer great activities where families are welcomed.

Griffith Railroad Fair

The 20th Annual Railroad Fair offers merchandise, history and exhibits based on railroads. Special features include open museum rail cars, operational railroad models, and their famous "HOBO Stew", cooked over an open fire. Other food such as hot dogs and nachos will also be served.

Children's games and pony rides will be available. The best part is admission is free. The fair is held Saturday and Sunday Sept. 25 and 26 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Backstage Rockfest

It has been arranged for 10 to 12 well-known rock bands from the 1960's through the 1990's to hold a meet and greet. They will appear in person to take photos with fans and sign autographs.

This extravaganza will take place Saturday Oct. 25 and Sunday Oct. 26 from 8 a.m. to 12 a.m. Tickets start at $50, with an additional charge of $15 for parking. It will be held within the Chicago land area. Exact location TBA.

Chicago Country Music Festival

The Chicago Country Music Festival will begin a weekend full of music and activities beginning Saturday Oct. 11 from 12 p.m.to 9:30 p.m. and Sunday Oct. 12 from 12 p.m.to 8:30 p.m. The Chicago Country Music Festival, once a part of the Taste of Chicago, celebrates its 18th year with concerts and a new festival area promising to draw some of the biggest names in country music. Admission is free and there will be food. It will take place at Soldier Field, 425 E Mcfetridge Dr.

Vale Fine Arts Festival

This festival features local artists in visual, literary and performing arts. Visitors will browse through the many booths and meet the artists. Family fun activities include a hands-on kids' activities area and hay rides around Rogers Lakewood Park. The festival will take place Saturday Oct. 4 and Sunday Oct. 5 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is $5 with an additional $3 charge for parking.

Trick or Treat Fun Night

A fun Fall celebration in downtown Valparaiso is offered annually to the community. The fun includes cider, hay rides around the downtown square and photos courtesy of Centier Bank. Fun night will take place Friday Oct. 24 from 5 p.m. to 7p.m. and Saturday Oct. 25 from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. The celebration is located at 162 W. Lincolnway (parking in downtown are is strongly suggested).

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Destination on a dime

Stephanie Stern
Staff Writer

Many have heard about the infamous Buckley Homestead, however it is not often thought of as a destination for entertainment. Fall brings many options for fun and fresh air. To enjoy both at the same location, check out Buckley Homestead.

Until Oct. 26, the visitors center and historic buildings are open for tours. The fee is $2 and the hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. A 1910 farm house and school accompanied by an Indian village and cabins are on the grounds.

Fall events include navigating through a corn maze open until 5 p.m. everyday with a general admission charge of $5. The maze takes an average of an hour-and-a-half to complete.

Fall Fest takes place Oc. 4 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The fest consists of story-tellers as well as games for children. Tours are given of the grounds by re-enactors. Demonstrations are given on broom making, china painting, quilting, basket weaving and much more.

There is annual presentation of "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow. Sleepy Hollow runs the weekends of Sept. 12 and 19 at various times. During these weekends the grounds are transformed into Tarrytown, NY, known as Sleepy Hollow. Storytellers lead the tour by candle light and tell the legend of Sleepy Hollow as well as other superstitious stories.

Buckley Homestead also has hay rides. They're available on a first come first serve basis Saturdays and Sundays through Oct. 26 at 1 p.m. and again at 2 p.m.

The only exception to these hours is the weekend of Fall Fest. hay rides take guests on a tour of the grounds and cost $3 per person.

Buckley Homestead hosts a day committed to the decorating of the farm for Christmas. This takes place on Nov. 22 from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Buckley Homestead is located in Lowell and is remembered by many students as an elementary school field trip. Buckley Homestead is not limited to grade school students, though, and has many activities for all ages.

Every guest receives a free cup of piping hot cider. Those who attend get to help decorate the main house, school and cabin. Getting lost in a maze, a historical tour and old school demonstrations are a great way to get the whole family out of the house to experience something different.

Special events take place at the site frequently. A complete list of events and dates can be found at www.lakecountyparks.com.

Flick should be burnt after viewing

Katie Ramsey
Entertainment Editor

nypost.com

Brad Pitt offers the comic relief in "BurnAfterReading", but that's where the laughing stops. The 180-degree turn at the end ruins the theme of most of the movie.

If a marriage is failing, it's okay to have sex with someone else. No, let's try again. It is no matter if the marriage is healthy or not, go ahead and try anything to meet someone long enough to hop into bed with them. Get that quick buck and ignore the consequences. Life is short so refrain from sweating the small stuff. "Burn After Reading" casts these strong messages throughout the movie and neglects focusing on much else.

Osborne Cox (John Malkovich) has been demoted at the CIA. He refuses to accept his new position and decides to quit. He is accused of having a drinking problem and this doesn't settle well. The truth often never does. Clearly, he's a little bitter about the whole ordeal.

His wife Katie (Tilda Swinton) is even less thrilled than he is. Her cold heart and non-existent compassion makes Vanessa from "Bridezilla" look like Mother Goose.

Little does Osborne know Katie is finding relief from their failing marriage in the bed of Harry Pfarrer (George Clooney). Harry is also in a failed marriage so neither of them have a conscience about the lack of monotony on both their parts.

Linda Litzke (Frances McDormand) and Chad Feldheimer (Brad Pitt) are sidekicks at the local gym. Litzke is starting to feel her age and plans on getting some plastic surgery to help her feel better about herself. After all, she works at a gym and it will look bad if her arms look like two potato sacks. Unfortunately, her insurance refuses to approve it and she has to come up with the money on her own.

Chad is her upbeat partner with child-like innocence. He is also the comic relief for most of the movie. His goofy demeanor and exaggerated facial expressions are over-the-top and hilarious.

Katie decides to get all of Osborne's financial information in order before she divorces him. The CD of impertinent information gets left behind at the gym, thanks to her lawyer's secretary. The janitor discovers it and Linda and Chad get their hands on it.

Upon looking at the files on the CD, they realize there's valuable information on it and whoever lost it will want it back - for a price of course. When Osborne refuses to play along with their game they take the disc to the Russian Embassy.

Hungry for more money, Linda talks Chad into sneaking into the Cox's house to find more information for the two of them to sell.

It wasn't believable that Chad would sneak into the Cox's house to steal more information. He was an honest character whose main concern was his health. Even though he was swept up in the fiasco, he did not mirror Linda's obsession. He was excited by the idea of having something happening in his dull, workout-obsessed life. But he wasn't a criminal.

The last 20 minutes of the movie take a 180-degree turn from the previous 70 minutes. The pointless and, thanks to Chad, humorous flick turns dark and violent without any warning and leaves viewer puzzled.

It's like the writers unable to end the story so they threw in an ending that didn't correlate at all. Pitt's silliness was enjoyable, but wasn't enough to save this movie from the depths of desperation it plunged into during the final scenes.

Like expressing your opinion about how dinner tasted?
Do you like pointing out everything that made that movie horrible?
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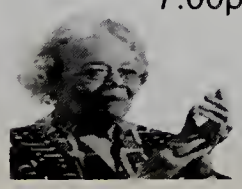

Ketchup was sold as what in the 1830's?

Last week's answer:
A bullfrog

weekly trivia

Police Blotter

09.16.08 – Gyte 71 – 6:45 a.m.

Damaged property - Building services reported two potted plants fell to the floor and two pictures were knocked over in Gyte room 71. Reason for the damage is unknown.

Closed

09.17.08 – Parking Lot P-10 – 1:00 p.m.

Theft - The victum reported a break-in to his vehicle while it was parked in the S/W section of the P-10 parking lot. The vehicle's stereo equipment was taken. Along with Theft, the vehicle also sustained damage to a door lock, ignition, alarm, and rear tail lights. No clues or suspects.

Open

09.17.08 – CLO – 8:40 a.m.

Intimidation - Victim advised a subject know to her started screaming at her over a previous incident that was reported to the police department. He made verbal threats if she did not stop talking with the police.

Open

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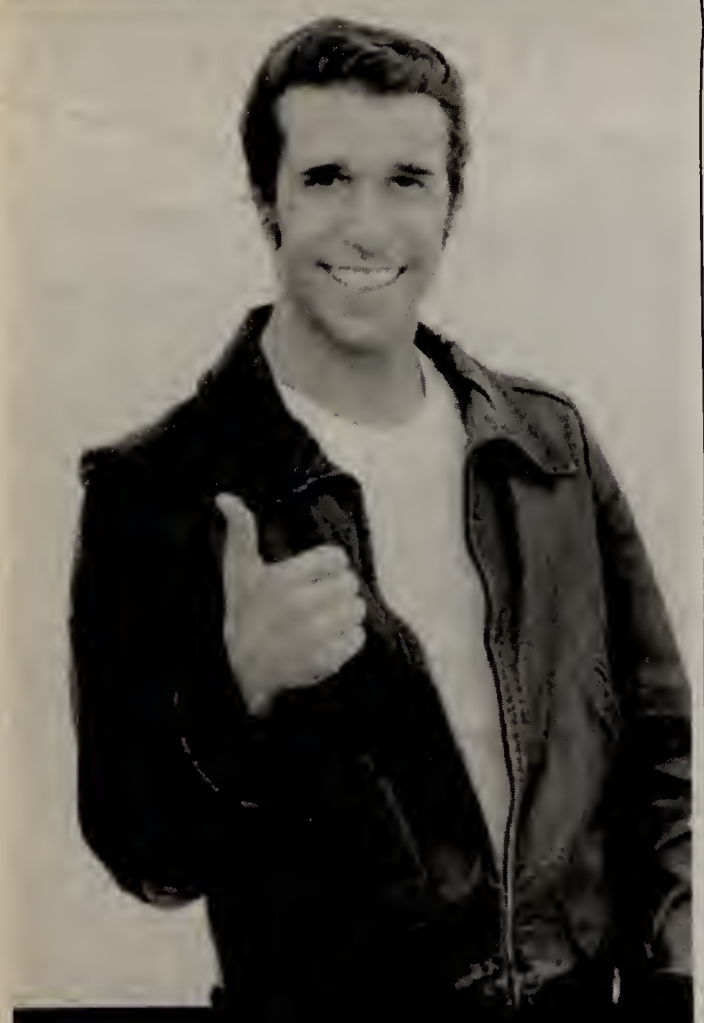

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September 26
Sunny
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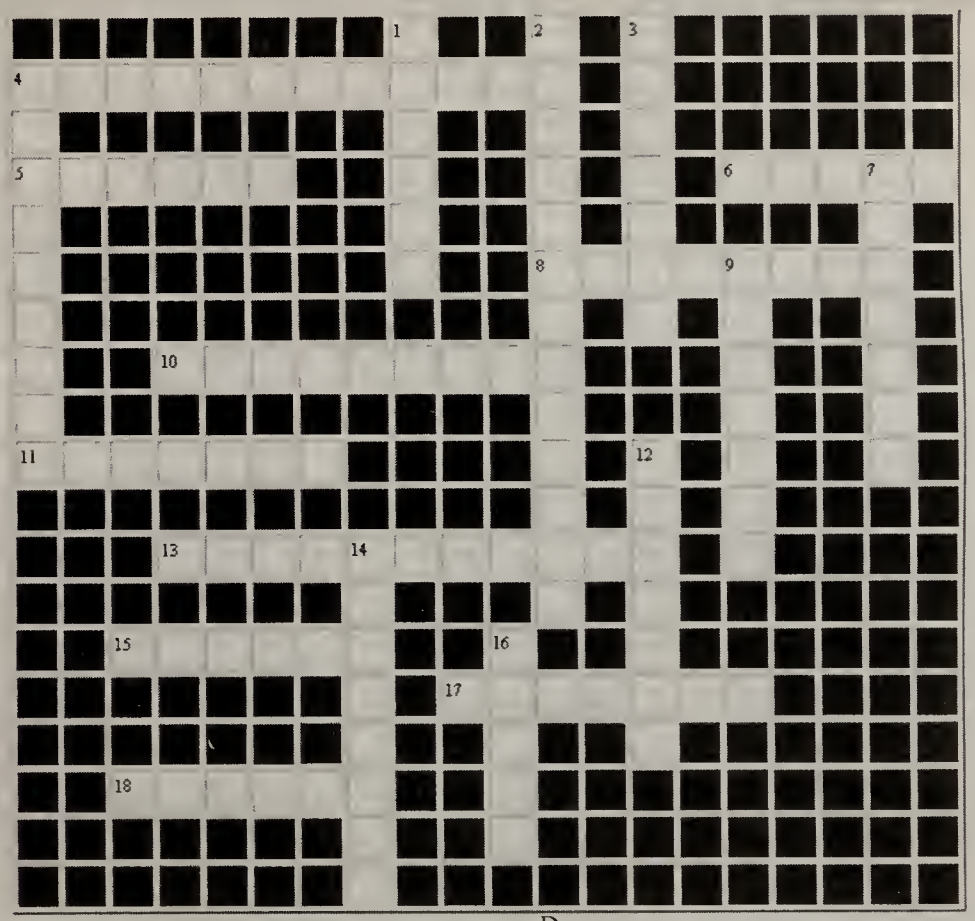


Across

4. The governor debates took place in
5. Hosted the international student open debate
6. Broke all-time career home run record in 2007
8. The Democratic candidate for Governor
10. Purdue football faces on the 27th of Sept.
11. The Libertarian candidate for Governor
13. He scored 100 points in a single games for the Philadelphia Warriors
15. Buckley Homestead is in this city
17. The historic stadium that will be demolished.
18. He didn't play for the Bears Sunday due to injury

Down

1. The coach of the Purdue football team
2. The name of Ani Difranco's new album
3. He hit 3 homers in the 1977 World Series
4. He plays the role of Osborne Cox in the movie Burn After Reading
7. Our current Governor
9. The senior quarterback who finished the game passing 27 of 36 for 261 yards and a touchdown with one interception at the Central Michigan game.
12. The town that PUC students helped clean up
14. The answer to last weeks trivia question
16. He is the youngest player to reach 1000 career points in the NBA

Questions still up in the air over offense

Casey Brandon
Staff Writer

The Bears showed an offensive spark in the passing game against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers Sunday. Still, consistency was lacking.

Starting quarterback for the Bears, Kyle Orton is still having trouble completing some of his passes, mainly for 15 yards or more. What Orton has been pretty solid at is getting the ball around to all of his weapons on offense. He also has minimized turnovers so far this year, only two in three games.

The receiving corps had one stand out performance against the Buccaneers, but still, their dropped passes coupled with their inability to change a game is troubling. Receiver Brandon Lloyd had a decent day catching the ball with six catches for 124 yards, and one touchdown. Lloyd needs to have a few more games like this to be considered the number one threat in the receiving corps.

Running back Matt Forte has been the one bright spot on a rather dull offense. Forte who ran for 215 yards in the first two games and added 89 more against the Buccaneers. Forte also caught seven passes for 66 yards and one touchdown this past Sunday.

Kevin Jones has been a decent back up to the billing in the running game.

The offensive line has looked solid at times especially in opening up running lanes for Forte. But it has also been troubled in providing protection for Orton.

The defense is looking closer to their 2006 form. Players have managed to stay healthy so far in the season and when healthy the Bears statistically rank as one of the best in the league. However, they haven't been able to carry the team to victory the last two games though.

Statistically the Bears are close to being a good team, if only a few plays went their way in the previous two games. At times they have seemed out right dominant, but also have allowed teams to get back into the game.

YahooSports.com

Running back Matt Forte has given the Bear's offense a spark this season on the ground as well as catching the ball out of the backfield.

Bears (1-2)

Report: Devin Hester didn't play on Sunday due to an injury to to his ribs. Hester's recovery this week is important, due to the fact the Bears have struggled to put numbers on the board.

Sunday, Sept. 28
7:15 p.m.
NBC

Eagles (2-1)

Report: Eagles running back Brian Westbrook left the game Sunday with an apparent ankle injury. His status for Sunday's game will be key. Donovan McNabb has played great so far as well.

Records that are meant to be broken

Joe Wielosinski
Staff Writer

The year 2008 has been a record setting year for sports. Michael Phelps stunned the world by winning eight gold medals at the Olympic Games in Beijing last month. Just recently, Los Angeles Angels closer Francisco Rodriguez set the all time single season saves record, with 59 saves and counting.

In the sports world, it seems like new records are made every year. Some are made with little notoriety. Some receive huge front page articles in the newspaper and huge media coverage from ESPN. These amazing feats can either turn an athlete in to an icon, or let them live on forever in infamy.

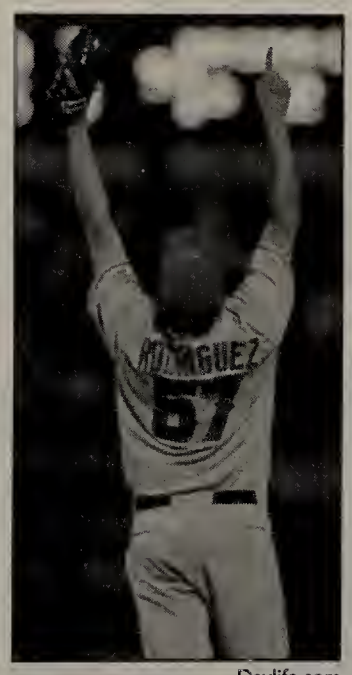
One of the most talked about sports stories over the last 10 years has been Barry Bonds single season and all time home run records. Since 2003, the validity of Bonds 73 home runs during the 2001 season have been questioned after his trainer was indicted for providing athletes with anabolic steroids. The storm of controversy rained over him as he went on to break Hank Aaron's all-time career home run record in 2007. Many sports writers and fans believe that an asterisk should be placed next to both feats in baseballs record books.

While some accomplishments live on with scandal, others are remembered for how truly amazing an event they were. Wilt Chamberlain scored 100 points in a game for the Philadelphia Warriors, scoring 59 of those points in the first half. Both records still stand.

Individual stats are impressive, but there is no I in team. The Green Bay Packers have the most league championships, winning a total of 12. The New York Yankees have been world champions 26 times, and have won 39 American League championships. According to MLB Advanced Media, the team accounts for 25 percent of all MLB championships.

Some athletes are remembered for setting records they would most likely want their fans to forget. Philadelphia Phillies slugger Ryan Howard may be known for clubbing home runs, but he also set a single season strikeout record in 2007. Howard swung and missed 199 times. On November 15th, 1964, Kansas City Chiefs Quarterback Len Dawson set a single game record, fumbling seven times against the San Diego Chargers.

With so many stars in sport today, who knows what records can be broken next? Can Alex Rodriguez set an all time home run record? Will Ladanian Tomlinson set a rushing record for yards per game? Only the performance of the athletes can answer these questions.



Daylife.com

Francisco Rodriguez of the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim has saved a record 60 games after Sunday's games.

Iron Man Records

1. Cal Ripken Jr's 2,632 straight games played.

2. Brett Favre's 255 consecutive starts at quarterback.

3. LeBron James being youngest player to reach 1,000 career points in the NBA (19-years-old).

4. Randy Moss' 23 touchdown receptions in 2007.

5. Ichiro Suzuki's 262 hits in 2004.

-- Joe Wielosinski

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Quote of the week

"Perhaps the new Yankee Stadium will go down as the House That Jeter Built!"

Arizona Diamondback's first basemen TonyClark

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Peregrine preparation

Chronicle photo by Nathyn D. Gibson

PUC cheerleaders practice in the REC Center last Tuesday. The cheerleaders perform at all the home men and women's basketball games.

Intramural Schedule:

Monday, Sept. 15
4-on-4 Flag Football
7:00 p.m.
Location PUC Gym

Tuesday, Sept. 23
Twinkie Eating Contest
7:00 p.m.
Location: PUC Gym

Thursday, Sept. 18
Co-ed Volleyball
7:15 p.m.
Location: PUC Gym

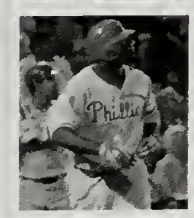
Ryan Metz's
Weekly High Five

2008 Major League Baseball Players
(Statistics through Sunday)

1 Francisco Rodriguez

Statistics ERA - 2.34 SV - 60 IP - 65.1 K - 74

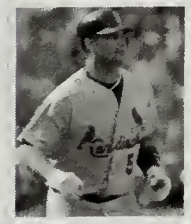
The all-time record holder of saves, K-Rod, has been there to close some very meaningful games for the Angles this season.



2 Ryan Howard

Statistics AVG - .247 HR - 46 RBI - 141 OBP - .335

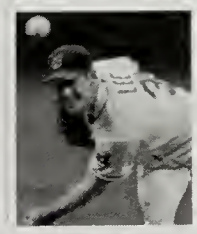
The slugger has has the most home runs and RBIs this season for a playoff contender team with the Phillies.



3 Albert Pujols

Statistics AVG - .351 HR - 34 RBI - 105 OBP - .456

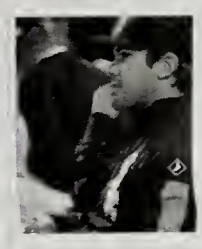
Last season's down year seems very far in the rear view mirror. Unfortunatley, Pujols' numbers won't be heading into the playoffs.



4 Cliff Lee

Statistics (22-2) - ERA - 2.41 K - 162 IP - 216.1

Lee, who spent some time in the minors last season, came on hot early and stayed throughout. Lee and his Indians won't be in the playoffs either, though.



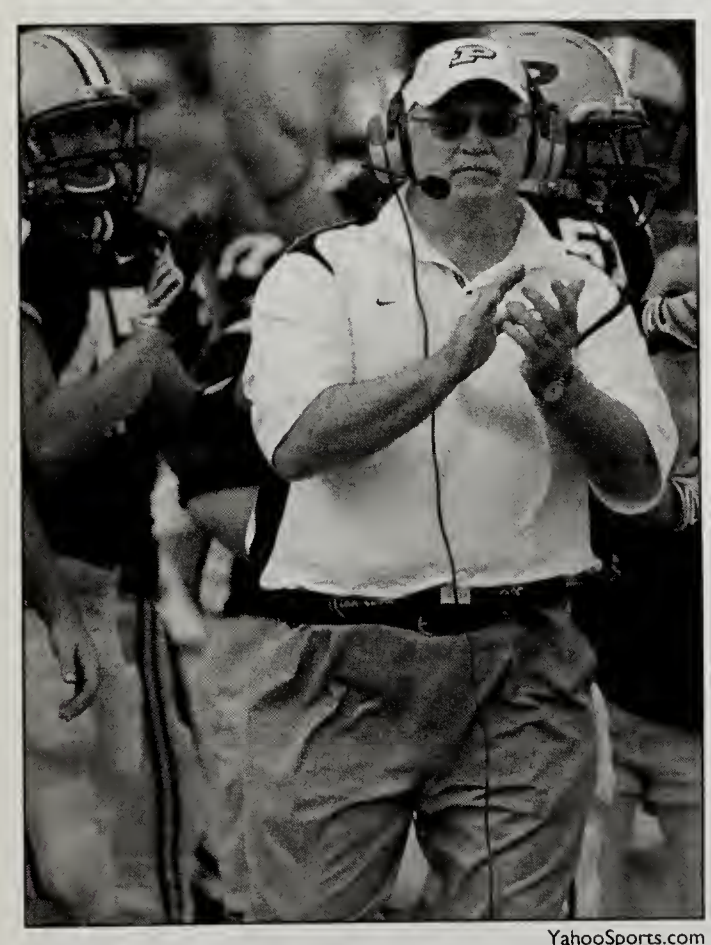
5 Carlos Quentin

Statistics AVG - .288 HR - 36 RBI - 100 OBP - .394

A costly injury to the Sox put away a major contributor to their lineup. Quentin was headed towards the MVP before breaking his wrist.

Tiller becomes Purdue's winningest coach

Purdue 32, Central Michigan 25



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Purdue coach Joe Tiller watches on the sideline Saturday afternoon as his Boilermakers defeat Central Michigan 32-25.

Ryan Metz
Sports Editor

Boilermaker Bits

Add another W

Purdue's 12-year head coach, Joe Tiller became the school's winningest coach on Saturday, as the Boilermakers defeated Central Michigan 32-25. Tiller passed Jack Mollenkopf with his 85th victory at the school in the third game of the season. Tiller, who is retiring at the end of the season, is going to be replaced by associate head coach Danny Hope in 2009.

Record rushing TD

In a game marked with many records falling, senior running back Kory Sheets' go-ahead touchdown in the final minute, a 46-yard dash, gave Sheets Purdue's all-time career touchdown record. Sheets passed Mike Alstott with 43 TDs. The dramatic touchdown happened after Central Michigan went ahead with a minute remaining and went for a two-point conversion to give them a 25-24 lead. On the ensuing drive, Sheets had his number called and broke through the line, entered the secondary, juked a defender with a jab step at midfield and the rest was history.

Off to a slow start

Senior quarterback Curtis Painter finished the game passing 27 of 36 for 261 yards and a touchdown with one interception. Thus far, in Painter's senior year, he has only three passing touchdowns to go along with three interceptions in three games. The 6-foot-4, 230 pound Painter was the top-rated senior quarterback by many mock NFL drafts experts heading into the year.

Third time is just as nice

Purdue played Central Michigan for the third time in two seasons, with Purdue winning every game. The Boilers and Chippewas met last December in their Bowl games in Detroit, the Motor City Bowl was a barn burner, with Painter throwing for 546 yards to go along with three touchdowns to help Purdue to the 51-48 victory as kicker Chris Summers kicked a 40-yard field goal as time expired.

Another MAC QB star

Central Michigan's Dan LeFevour gave Purdue fits running and passing the ball on Saturday, finishing the game with 291 yards passing with two TDs and 112 yards on the ground with a TD. In 2007, the junior, LeFevour became the second player in Division I history to pass for over 3,000 yards and rush for over 1,000 yards in a single season with Vince Young being the first.

Next up

Purdue will travel to South Bend on Saturday to take on the struggling Fighting Irish. Notre Dame enters the campaign with a 2-1 record. To make matters worse for the Irish's coach, Charlie Weis, already hobbling on a bum knee, his team was accused of cheating with an illegal laptop in the coaches' box on Saturday in East Lansing.

Northern Colorado	Oregon	Central Michigan	@ Notre Dame	Penn State	@ Ohio State	@ Northwestern	Minnesota	Michigan	@ Michigan State	@ Iowa	Indiana
Sept.6	Sept. 13	Sept.20	Sept. 27	Oct. 4	Oct. 11	Oct. 18	Oct. 25	Nov. 1	Nov. 8	Nov. 15	Nov. 22
Won	Lost	Won	2:30 a.m.	11 a.m.	11 a.m.	11 a.m.	11 a.m.	11 a.m.	11 a.m.	11 a.m.	11 a.m.
42-10	32-26	32-25									

Turning out the lights at the Stadium

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Sports Editor

The last game at Yankee Stadium was played on Sunday. I took in a game in June and chronicled my visit.

She raised her head up from underneath her navy blue Yankees ball cap and shot back in her thick New York patter, "That was the game the bullpen collapsed."

The response was from an older woman to a group of 20-somethings who sat across from her on the subway discussing their beloved Yankees trials during the course of the season in which at that moment they sat in third place in their division.

The scene puts into perspective the fervor and intellect that was displayed on a summer trip in early June in which I visited "The House that Ruth Built."

The subway ride from our hotel in the Upper West Side of Manhattan shared with my brother and best friend would be destined to arrive at East 161st Street and River Avenue in the Bronx, the site of Yankee Stadium.

Ascending up the subway station's stairs I began to hit me that I was entering a hallowed soil that was the pinnacle of excellence in sports. The 26 World Championships owned by "Bronx Bombers" – the grounds which Babe Ruth made famous or a center field once roamed by Joe DiMaggio and Mickey Mantle.

The stadium which has a date with a wrecking ball after this season, has hosted some of baseball's most historic moments, along with a 1928 football game – the one where Notre Dame's coach, Knute Rockne told his crew to "win one for the Gipper" and heavyweight championship boxing bouts with Joe Louis, Sugar Ray Robinson and Muhammad Ali.

Soccer's best player of all-time, Pelé visited the stadium in 1976 for a soccer match. The NFL even made an appearance, with the New York Giants calling it home and playing what was called the "Greatest Game ever Played," in 1958, with a quarterback Johnny Unitas leading the Baltimore Colts to victory.

Sports weren't the only attractions at the place. The stadium hosted three Popes, each holding mass there. Concerts played there included Billy Joel, U2 and Pink Floyd.

The place has about as much history as turning the pages of your grandmother's picture albums.

My trip to visit the historic sports museum wasn't because I like the Yankees at all. In fact, I've grown up hating the Yankees and their over-saturation on the sports highlight shows. I root for them to lose and smile when I see Alex Rodriguez get booed by his home team while struggling at in the clutch moments.

But one thing is for certain, you have to respect the hell out of a franchise that made wearing pinstripes cool.

When I walked in the park, my jaw dropped at how little the concourse halls walking around the place were. The place was built in the 1920s and felt like it. The amenities were sparse and I even spotted seats on the third base line that were duct taped together. Yes, duct taped seats, when they pay their best player, A-Rod, $275 million spread over 10 years.

Our $165 seats in right field were great, because we sat next to some very knowledgeable fans, there's nothing better.

The moment I was looking forward to most was when Bob Sheppard, the Yankee public address announcer would make his famous introduction with Derek Jeter. Then it happened: "Now batting for the Yankees...number 2..Derek Jeter...number 2."

The man once described by Reggie Jackson as having "God's voice," has been doing the PA since 1951 and is recorded this year due to his illness, but it was still pretty surreal.

The actual game was meaningless but the experience was something any sports fan would have relished. The new stadium across the street will have all the bells and whistles any fan would want, but the history of baseball and a little bit of the history of America will be done when the last game is played.

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The $2.5 million dollar stadium was built.

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Lou Gehrig and Babe Ruth teamed together.

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Joe DiMaggio hits for 56-game hitting streak.

History of Yankee Stadium

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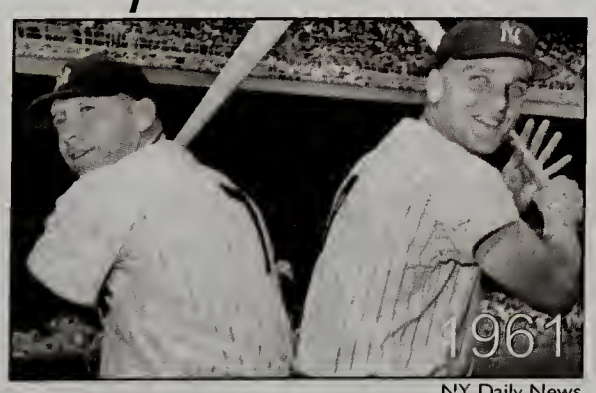
Rocky Marciano celebrates his boxing victory.



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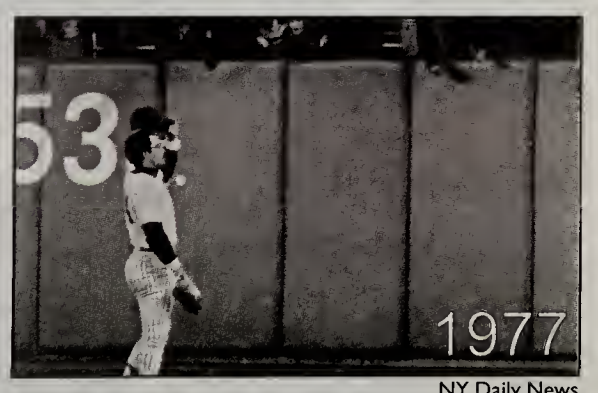
Mickey Mantle and Roger Maris teaming up.



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Reggie Jackson hits three homers in World Series.